



State of New Hampshire
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

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**LETTER OF DEFICIENCY
WET 2004-20**

May 24, 2004

Mr. Robert Bourdeau
187 White Mountain Highway
Milton, NH 03851

RE: DES Wetlands File #2004-00718 187 White Mountain Highway, Milton

Dear Mr. Bourdeau:

On May 20, 2004 personnel from the Department of Environmental Services ("DES") conducted an inspection of the above referenced property, more specifically referenced on Town of Milton Tax Map 47 as Lot 15-1 (the "Property"). The purpose of the inspection was to determine compliance with RSA 482-A and NH Code of Admin. Rules Wt 100-800.

During the inspection the following deficiencies were documented:

1. Two sections of a seasonal stream and its associated wetlands had been filled to construct a driveway crossing (1,500 square feet) and a snowmobile crossing (1,500 square feet).
2. Approximately 170 linear feet of seasonal stream and 4,725 square feet of associated wetland had been dredged.

In response, you are requested to take the following actions:

1. Mulch the exposed dredged area with straw (not hay) to prevent erosion and sedimentation into the stream.
2. By June 21, 2004 retain a certified wetland scientist to prepare a restoration plan for the stream and associated wetland area. The restoration plan should be submitted to DES for approval by July 21, 2004 and contain the following:
 - a. A plan with dimensions, drawn to scale, indicating the footprint of the stream and wetland prior to disturbance (delineated in accordance with Section F of the Corps of Engineers Wetlands Delineation Manual), the footprint of the existing conditions indicating the areas that have been disturbed;
 - b. A plan for re-establishing the wetland to its original footprint;
 - c. A proposed means of erosion control;
 - d. A proposed schedule and restoration sequence listing equipment and methods for accomplishing restoration;
 - e. A proposed planting plan for the re-establishment of wetland vegetation;
 - f. A monitoring and reporting schedule including an initial report to DES and at least one restoration progress assessment report after a full growing season;
3. Carry out restoration as conditioned in a separate DES Restoration Approval Letter.
4. Submit an After-the-Fact application to retain the wetland impacts from the crossings.

RSA 482-A, the New Hampshire Wetlands law, was enacted to protect and preserve wetlands and surface waters from unregulated despoliation. Prior to dredging, filling, or construction in and adjacent to wetlands or surface waters, an individual is required to obtain a permit. If work is done without a permit, this is considered a violation of RSA 482-A. Failure to respond to this Letter of Deficiency in a timely and complete manner may be construed as noncompliance by the receiving party.

DES personnel may conduct another inspection at a later date to determine whether you have come into and are maintaining full compliance with the applicable statute and rules.

Issuance of this letter shall not preclude further enforcement by DES. Failure to comply with RSA 482-A will result in enforcement by DES, including but not limited to the issuance of fines, administrative orders, or referral to the New Hampshire Office of the Attorney General for prosecution of civil or criminal penalties. If an order is issued to you, it may also be recorded with the Registry of Deeds as an encumbrance against your property.

All documents submitted in response to this Letter of Deficiency should be addressed as follows:

Arlene Allen, Compliance Specialist
Wetlands Bureau
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29 Hazen Drive
PO Box 95
Concord, NH 03302-0095

Should you have any questions regarding this letter, or wish to arrange a meeting, please contact Arlene Allen at (603) 271-4192.

Sincerely,

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Wetlands Bureau

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